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## Dean Webb Clarifies Alleged Free Cut Sy

BY JUDY HARRIS

"The student is expected to attend every class unless there is adequate cause for absence and to make up promptly any work missed because of absence. The student is responsible for deciding when adequate cause for absence exists except in cases of compulsory attendance.

The instructor will keep an accurate record of attendance and will advise the dean of the college or school offering the course when excessive absences seriously endanger the students' standing in the course."

The Dean of the Faculty, Ross A. Webb, used those words as a basis for his answers when he tried to clear up the controversy concerning the alleged free cut system at Winthrop.

Dean Webb stated that although there is no free cut system at Winthrop there is a policy permitting students to decide when adequate cause for not attending exists. This policy was "hard fought for" and Dean Webb said that students are taking advantage of the policy.

"I think that the students have not been so responsible in attending classes as they should

be. As a result of excessive absences, a student's accomplishment can be affected severely," he said.

The school has decided to adopt a new policy concerning cuts for the second semester of the 1970-71 school year.

Under this new policy, grades will be checked at mid-semester. Those students whose records show grades lower than "C" and excessive cuts in those subjects will be asked to discuss the situation with their dean.

Dean Webb cited this as an example: If a student has two

"F's" and two "D's" at mid-term with excessive cuts in the subjects, she may very well be asked to leave the college. Such a record shows total disinterest in completion of her education. State funds supplied to educate one student are tremendous and unless the student takes her education seriously, the waste of this money is useless. This was another reason Dean Webb gave for changing the policy.

Recently, Dean Webb issued a statement stressing the requirement that all professors keep records of the exact dates of each student's absences from

his class. Although this rule is stated under the class attendance policy in the College Student Bulletin, some professors had not kept exact records up to mid-semester. Problems arose when parents were unable to contact their daughter on a specific date because her absence from class was not noted. When a parent makes an inquiry about his or her daughter, a record of class attendance must be available to either locate or prove her attendance in class. This explanation was given in answer to the question: Why are professors required to record exact dates of absences?

When asked why students could be penalized for excessive cuts by lowered letter grades or by being barred from tests, The Dean of the Faculty said, "Students should be protected from penalization if they have adequate cause for their absences from class." His advice to students who find themselves in either of these situations was to seek out the dean of that particular school and state the problem.

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## Davis Appoints Group To Replace Judiciary

A college-wide, student-faculty Disciplinary Committee has been appointed by President Charles S. Davis. The committee will hear any case referred to it by the administration or student body which

would have been under the previous jurisdiction of the student Judicial Board, President Davis said.

The committee is composed of two student members Suzanne

Howren and Vessie Perkins, and three Faculty members: Dr. Helen A. Loftis, professor of Home Economics, Dr. Thomas A. Morgan, assistant professor of History, and Dr. Robert Cooper, director of academic planning and institutional research, and chairman of the committee.

The committee was formed when the Judicial Board stated their decision to hear no more cases until their function was clarified, President Davis said. No machinery was then on campus to handle disciplinary cases, other than the President and the Dean of Students, he added.

The disciplinary committee will make recommendations to President Davis concerning disciplinary cases until the powers of the Judicial Board have been clarified.

In reference to the powers of the committee, Dr. Davis said that only the President of the College can suspend or expel a student. Faculty groups do not have this power. The Judicial Board and this committee can only recommend suspension or expulsion. The President of the College is the final authority where suspension or expulsion is concerned.



ICY WINTHROP

Winthrop students have been waking up to the chill of winter the last week. With temperatures in the 10's, the fountain on front campus has little chance to survive with running water. (Bill Sanders Photo)



AUCTION SALE

The \$40 Pi Delta Phi, the French Club, earned from their Monday Auction Sale will help establish a scholarship fund for summer study abroad for a French student. Faculty members contributed articles to be sold. Among them were a broken static electricity machine donated by Dr. Jerry Zeigler. Dean Iva Gibson made a pineapple and banana pie.

## Christmas Carol Sing Gets Campus In Spirit

The annual campus-wide Christmas carol-sing and wrapping party will be held Thursday, Dec. 3, at 6:30 p.m. on front campus and in Dinkins, said Kathy Graham, S. G. A. President.

The Winthrop Choral Ensemble will help with the carol-sing, which will include both contemporary and traditional Christmas Carols.

The Wrapping party will be held in Dinkins immediately following the carol-sing. S.G.A. will provide gifts which students

may wrap for war veterans in the Columbia Hospital. Dinkins Social Board will provide a tree for students to decorate at the party.

A ten-dollar prize will be given to the dorm with the largest percentage of its residents present at the party.

Refreshments will be served. "This is one of the most exciting and fun events of the year," said Kathy Graham. "It's a great way to get into the Christmas spirit, and I hope every student will attend."

The Friends of Distinction--the RCA-Victor recording artists who will be appearing here at Winthrop Dec. 2--have the challenging show-business distinction of being real friends, off-stage as well as on.

Whereas most performing groups are essentially a business relationship with few off-hours ties, the Friends' name was literally given--and is literally kept. Friends "main men" Floyd Butler and Harry Elston have been best buddies since childhood in San Diego and have paralleled each other in their singing and music-industry careers for the last several years. Jessica Cleaves was a good personal friend of Butler and Elston long before she auditioned for the group. And while newcomer Charlene Gibson didn't know the other 3 before she joined the group last year, the psychic bonds

were heavy: Charlene and Floyd discovered that they have the same birthday... and that their astrological coupling is so strong they can practically read each other's minds. "We were on our way to a concert date at Fisk University in Nashville," Floyd remembers, "Charlene had only been with the group a short time at that point. I started to say something and for some reason my attention was distracted by something... and Charlene picked up what I was saying and finished the sentence for me. She knew just what I was going to say! I was flabbergasted. She just turned around and gave me that sheepish Gibson-girl grin of hers, as if to say, 'I can read your mind, brother... you can't put anything over on your astrological twin! It's been that way ever since. We've discovered our personalities are identical: we're both freaks.

We anticipate each other's words and thoughts."

How then do the Friends preserve their musical rapport, their business partnership and their personal friendship... all at the same time? "We each do our own thing when we're not performing," says Harry. "Sometimes when we're on the road we'll all go bowling, or swimming, or we'll get together and have one of our on-the-road picnics. But the best way to keep the relationship strong on all levels is to spend healthy amounts of time away from one another, doing our own things."

Tickets for the concert on sale now in Dinkins and can be purchased for \$1.50 for Winthrop students and \$2.50 for general Admission. I.D.'s must be presented by the Winthrop students in order to purchase the reduced rate tickets.

## The Friends Appear Dec. 2

## Chorus, Ensemble Give Joint Christmas Concert

The Winthrop College Chorus and Choral Ensemble will present a Christmas concert of music on Thursday Dec. 10 at 8 p.m. in the Winthrop Convocatory Recital Hall. The groups will present a varied program ranging from music by composers of the past and present to Christmas folk songs of many countries and traditional Christmas carols and popular Christmas songs. The performance of two short Christmas cantatas with harpsichord and string accompaniment will highlight the program. Assisting artists for these works will be Patricio Cobos and Barbara Ann Sturgis, violinists, Hans Schmetslau, cellist, and Shirley Herlong, harpsichord.

Both the Chorus and the Choral Ensemble will appear during December in other locations in the Rock Hill area which includes the Rock Hill Mall, Thomson and McBride dining halls, the campus Christmas tree lighting and at the Rock Hill City Hall. In addition the Winthrop Chorus will sing for the December Winthrop faculty

meeting and appear on a local cable television program.

The Choral Ensemble is a sixty-voice group open to all Winthrop students. The Chorus consists of thirty singers, chosen by audition. The accompanist for the Choral Ensemble is Rosalyn Faulkenberry and for the Chorus Patil McFadden. Dr. James Elson of the Winthrop School of Music is director of both groups.

## Cinema Series Shows 'Elvira Madigan'

"Elvira Madigan," a sad love story set in the 1800's, will be the Cinema Series presentation at Winthrop College on Tuesday, Dec. 1.

The film, described by LOOK MAGAZINE as "just about the most beautiful, romantic film ever made," will be shown at

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## Paint-In Dec. 6

"Color your World" will be the theme for the paint-in sponsored by Dinkins Social Board, to be held in Dinkins canteen, Sunday Dec. 6, 5-8 p.m.

Students will be given materials to paint a large mural which will hang on the wall of the canteen.

"The purpose of this event is two-fold," said Patty Pantry,

Social Board Chairman. "We want to give students something new and interesting to do on the weekend, and also we'd like to brighten up the bare wall in the canteen with some original art works. If the first paint-in is successful, we plan to hold them regularly. I hope that everyone on campus will come and share in the fun."

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### Housing Office Holds Registration For Thomson

Residents of dormitories other than Thomson who wish space in Thomson next semester may sign up with the Housing Office Dec. 16 and 17. Only one student per suite is required to reserve space.

All students wishing to remain in Thomson Hall second semester must register with the Housing Office before Dec. 7. Since space in Thomson has been in great demand, the Housing Office is requiring students to sign-up for rooms in Thomson.

Present residents of Thomson should complete the form mailed to them by the Housing Office and indicate whether they wish to keep the same room assignment; they wish to move to another room in Thomson; or that they will not be signing for a room in Thomson for second semester and give the reason, such as: graduating in December, not returning, transferring, or moving to another residence hall.

If the form is not returned by Dec. 7, the Housing Office will automatically release the room for occupancy by another student.

Thomson residents who wish to move to another room in Thomson will make the change with the Housing Office on Dec. 14 and 15. One student may sign for herself, roommate and subtenants.

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## Seminar Sponsored

A Color Seminar of special interest to Art, Physics, and Clothing, Textiles, and Related Arts students will be held in the Recital Hall Dec. 7 at 7:30, said Dr. Kenneth Laughlin, Professor of Home Economics.

The lecture "Dyeing for a Living," will be given by Dr. Edwin L. Stearns, Research Associate for American Cyanamid Company, will lecture. Dr. Stearns has published 100 scientific papers and is the author of THE PRACTICE OF ABSORPTION SPECTROPHOTOMETRY. He earned his B. S. degree in chemical engineering from Lafayette College, his M. S. degree in physical

chemistry from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and his Ph. D. degree in physical chemistry from Rutgers University.

The seminar is being sponsored by the Clothing, Textiles, and Related Arts division of the School of Home Economics, Dr. Laughlin said.

## AKD Hears Language Talk

Alpha Kappa Delta, national honor society in sociology, met Monday, November 23, at the home of Dr. Dorothy Jones, said Dr. Allen Edwards, chairman of the Department of Sociology.

Dr. Shirley Heath, assistant professor of sociology, spoke to the group on "Children's Languages: Black English and Regional Dialects in South Carolina".

Initiation of new members was also held. New members included:

clude: Helen Elaine Smith, Mary Patricia Fentry, Susan Diane Brannon, Susan Harriott Godley, Deborah Jo Weaver, and Marcia Shepherd Wingard.

Officers of the club are: Jackie Brewer, president, Deborah Jo Weaver, vice-president, Edith Young Antley, secretary-treasurer, Dr. Dorothy Jones is advisor for the group. Winthrop has the only chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta in South Carolina.

## Dr. Loftis

Dr. Helen Loftis, Professor of Home Economics, will attend the annual meeting of the Home Economics Division of the American Vocational Association Dec. 4-9 in New Orleans.

Dr. Loftis said she will be on the program, giving part of a group report on a regional research project done in Georgia, Florida, Kentucky, and South Carolina.

## Computer Tour

Members of the Archimedean honorary mathematics club toured the computer center of Lowenstein's Management Services in Rock Hill Tuesday (November 17).

Personnel explained to the students the work of the computer programmer in the textile firm.

## Sociology

Dr. Martin Hope, assistant professor of sociology, attended an Institute of the Southern Regional Education Board at East Carolina University, Greenville, N. C., November 9-12.

Representatives from seventeen southern states attended the workshop meeting.

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# News Briefs

## Ring Complaints

Jenkins Ring Co. representatives will be on Dinkins main floor Monday, Nov. 30 from 6-7 p.m. to take ring complaints concerning size, defects, etc.

## Philosophy Club

The Philosophy Club met Tuesday (Nov. 17) at the home of Dr. Nolan P. Jacobson, according to Dr. Houston Craighead, advisor.

Terry McCracken, secretary of the Philosophy Club, discussed "What Is Youth Searching For." Her discussion was primarily related to how she used philosophy to find her identity. Members of the club also discussed what it means to search for one's identity.

During the business period, the club considered plans for a speaker in January.

## Volleyball

Winthrop Recreation Association volleyball teams will practice Monday, November 30, and Wednesday, December 2 from 5:00 until 6:00 p.m. in Peabody Gymnasium.

## Basketball

The Intercollegiate basketball team will practice Monday, November 30, and Tuesday, December 1 from 5:30 until 7:00 in Peabody Gymnasium and on Thursday, December 3 from 5:30 until 7:30 p.m. also in Peabody Gymnasium.

## Teams Compete

Winthrop Recreation Association volleyball teams will compete Tuesday, December 1 and Thursday, December 3 from 7:30 until 8:30 p.m. in both Peabody and Withers Gymnasiums.

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# She Links WC With World

BY BETTY STROUD

Who is the "lady in Tillman?" Here is the voice that answers "information" when students dial "0". She greets off-campus callers with "Winthrop College" when they dial 328-2471. She can tell at a glance which dormitory phone lines are busy. Late at night the lady in Tillman not only answers "Winthrop College", but she "is" Winthrop College to the "outside world".

There is someone on duty at the switchboard in Tillman every hour day and night. If someone tries to reach a student in an emergency after dorm closing the call comes through the main switchboard.

The operator on duty tries the dorm number first. If there is no answer, she tries the residence counselor and if there is still no answer, she may send a policeman to the dorm. Sometimes she rings a pay phone in the dorm and a student can be reached that way.

Occasionally, when the switchboard operator answers "Winthrop College" she hears the sound of money being dropped into a pay phone. She gets the student directory ready to look up the requested name. She can tell by looking at a lighted panel before her if that dorm is busy, and if so, she must tell the caller to try again. If possible, she will connect the caller with the correct dorm where the search begins all over again.

The high rise dormitories have private lines and the operator can not tell if they are busy. She may ask a caller to dial that number himself unless he is having trouble with it, in which case she can ring it.

The lady in Tillman does more than answer the telephone. As long as the building is open, or rather as long as students are using the building, she can call a policeman to come and unlock the door to a classroom so that the students may use the equipment.

Tillman is pretty active at night with students using the

card punch machines, typewriters, and calculators or just studying in an empty room. There are usually several people waiting to pay phone bills, but by eleven o'clock during the week the building is empty. There is no one there except the switchboard operator. A policeman comes by at regular intervals "making his rounds." After one o'clock, students who use the self-regulating hours privilege come in and sign out a key to their dormitory.

The dormitory telephones are busiest at nights. Usually there are two dorms which are busier than any other dorms. One night recently the two were Thomson and Phelps. The telephones operate on a "rotating circuit." That means if you call 317 and it's busy the circuit rotates to 318, then to 319 and tries them all. If you get a busy signal it means that all the lines into the dorm are busy. Obviously, this system doesn't always work, especially when it gets overloaded.

Sometimes students dial 328-2471 thinking the operator can connect them with a dormitory that they can't reach themselves. She can not connect them with a dorm whose phone circuits are all in use. Neither can she connect two on-campus numbers through the switchboard.

Of course one person does not operate the switchboard all night long. There are four women who work six hour shifts changing at 8:00 and again at 12:00. There is a relief operator and several substitutes who work so that each has time off.

It is somewhat comforting to know that someone is on duty all night long on campus. She is there to help if an emergency comes up in the wee hours of the morning. She is our main link to the off-campus world late at night. She is the "lady in Tillman".

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